

#niedchat

#Niedchat 11th Jan 2012

Should there be a dress code for teachers?

Trending Words

dress, code, rt, -, think,
@dmurray742, @dmchugh675,
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@cillian_walsh, @mrmalcontent,

Event Participants





Archive on #niedchat Containing 148 Tweets; <http://t.co/By0aHxAa>

10-Jan-12 06:39 | Niedchat



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10-Jan-12 17:06 | Niedchat



Poll closed.

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10-Jan-12 19:05 | medv2



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10-Jan-12 19:17 | AnGaeilgeoir1



I'm doing a bit of prep for tomorrow night's #niedchat. It should be interesting! <http://t.co/52fvaGlv>

10-Jan-12 20:14 | dmchugh675



"@bbcnireland: Cash found to ease school budgets <http://t.co/BI4pWuSS>" #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 06:31 | dmchugh675



<http://t.co/sxHntYgm> School ICT lessons to be replaced by CompSci in England - will NI follow? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 06:53 | katebook



@katebook sounds like a question for #Niedchat ! KS3 curr as is gives us freedom to do this - not sure if many have though.

11-Jan-12 07:06 | dmchugh675



#niedchat returns tonight at 8.30.

Topic:

11-Jan-12 18:01 | Niedchat



RT @Niedchat: #niedchat returns tonight at 8.30.

Topic:

11-Jan-12 18:05 | dmchugh675



Should there be a dress code for teachers? Have your say at 8.30. #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 18:45 | Niedchat



Can a dress code be enforced? Apparently so! <http://t.co/0Ikz4hdN> #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 18:47 | Niedchat



@CCEA_info - 40% of vacant jobs in NI require programming skills. Can you help? <http://t.co/N9i3dRud> #CSin2012 #niedchat

11-Jan-12 19:41 | BringBackCS



#Niedchat in half an hour.

11-Jan-12 20:03 | Niedchat



So...who's here for #Nledchat?

11-Jan-12 20:31 | dmchugh675



Sir! #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:31 | dmurray742



not sure if I am well enough dressed but I'm here :) #Nledchat

11-Jan-12 20:31 | medv2



Sir! #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:31 | MrMalcontent



Sir! #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:31 | MrMalcontent



The first three #niedchat avatars this week are very well dressed! (did we all get new kit for Christmas?)

11-Jan-12 20:32 | dmurray742



RT @smaguire777: @dmchugh675 #niedchat Hello! I'll pop in and out - need to make sure I've something half decent to wear for the morn :)

11-Jan-12 20:33 | dmchugh675



Going to try something a little different this week. See if you can spot what it is. #Nledchat

11-Jan-12 20:34 | dmchugh675



@dmchugh675 #niedchat Here Sir!

11-Jan-12 20:34 | AnGaeilgeoir1



#niedchat hi all from Mayo

11-Jan-12 20:34 | johnmayo



#niedchat I thought you all would be at BETT

11-Jan-12 20:34 | johnmayo



Q1 What is your instinctive feeling re a dress code for teachers. Are you for or against? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:35 | dmchugh675



#Nledchat good evening folks - is anyone here?

11-Jan-12 20:35 | normapp



@johnmayo hi John...good to see you here. #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:36 | dmchugh675



#Nledchat let's go!

11-Jan-12 20:36 | Conneist



#niedchat boooo for dress code..

11-Jan-12 20:37 | Conneist



#niedchat A dress code does not improve teaching or learning but it does help with discipline

11-Jan-12 20:37 | johnmayo



Hello #Niedchat I'll be watching in this evening #newbie

11-Jan-12 20:37 | MsRGraham



@MsRGraham Welcome along. Feel free to contribute if you want. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:38 | dmurray742



#Niedchat Hi! Evelyn here, English teacher, Mayo. I'm really passionately against a dress code for teachers!

11-Jan-12 20:38 | evelynoconnor



@MsRGraham Welcome aboard! #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:38 | dmchugh675



#niedchat Scandinavian schools don't have a dress code or a uniform for that matter.

11-Jan-12 20:38 | AnGaeilgeoir1



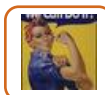
#niedchat Do many schools up north have dress code for teachers or is it just a quiet word the first day of term.

11-Jan-12 20:39 | johnmayo



I think anything that's 'uniform' and 'rigid' will be open to manipulation. It's the nature of human beings #niedchat #notiefriday

11-Jan-12 20:39 | dmurray742



#niedchat I think some form of dress code for all staff is important. But I think it very much depends on the school

11-Jan-12 20:39 | MsRGraham



For the record I'm opposed to a dress code but FOR common sense! #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:39 | dmchugh675



@johnmayo #niedchat I agree non-uniform days are more unsettled with no one in the mood for working.

11-Jan-12 20:40 | AnGaeilgeoir1



@cillian_walsh Great to see you. Q1 What is your instinctive feeling re a dress code for teachers. Are you for or against? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:40 | dmchugh675



@cillian_walsh Hey Cillian - welcome along #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:41 | dmurray742



there is a big diff between uniform and dress code, good dress code shud be implicit ? #niedchat - what is a good dress code?

11-Jan-12 20:41 | medv2



@MrMalcontent Really??? Would a relaxed dress code hamper collaborative learning? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:43 | dmurray742



#niedchat Well with me wearing a shirt & tie makes me feel that I am work so more professional rather than be more laid back in civvies

11-Jan-12 20:43 | johnmayo



I think a good dress code creates a collaborative learning atmosphere between pupils and teachers #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:43 | MrMalcontent



@dmurray742 #niedchat you see I am the opposite, I feel more professional, especially with exam classes when I am smarter.

11-Jan-12 20:44 | MsRGraham



@johnmayo It's a strange dichotomy. Surely we should be relaxed when teacher, i.e comfortable, at ease. I hate ties #littlenooses #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:44 | dmurray742



I also like a relaxed day - we all do, but I think there is something about the professionalism of dealing with pupils and parents #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:44 | MrMalcontent



@MrMalcontent #niedchat Yes had to kill the app

11-Jan-12 20:45 | AnGaeilgeoir1



I think that professional formality that suit/tie/dress code imposes builds barriers between pupils/teachers/parents #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:45 | dmurray742



What about those of us who provide one-off sessions (personal development for eg) into schools? Should WE have a dress code? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:45 | senseilp



#niedchat none. Just another way of turning my job into an office job..

11-Jan-12 20:46 | Conneist



that can be seen in someone who cares enough to make the effort. Would you want to meet your barrister in court in jeans, et al? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:46 | MrMalcontent



@MsRGraham #niedchat I agree smarter dress code works for me.

11-Jan-12 20:46 | AnGaeilgeoir1



@MrMalcontent As long as he did his job properly, he can dress in a tiara and high heels. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:46 | dmurray742



(Why did I assume the barrister was a 'he') #niedchat #oops

11-Jan-12 20:46 | dmurray742



@MrMalcontent In most workplaces in NI, people assume a dress code. But, does it make us better at educating? #professionalism #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:47 | senseilp



@MsRGraham But surely they appointed you because YOU were serious about the job, not your suit. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:49 | dmurray742



@dmchugh675 #niedchat I would like to see a doctor dressed smartly, even if dealing with children

11-Jan-12 20:49 | MsRGraham



@AnGaeilgeoir1 Do you think pupils would learn better? IMHO, pupils hate non-uniform days, due to our image-obsessed culture. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:49 | senseilp



#niedchat Our school introduced a staff dress code in an effort to deal with a few members that wore flip-flops and combats in summer time

11-Jan-12 20:49 | AnGaeilgeoir1



#Niedchat good evening folks I'm for a dress code within reason. Fashionable and /or smart comfortable as you choose.

11-Jan-12 20:50 | normapp



@AnGaeilgeoir1 Was it compromising teaching and learning? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:50 | dmurray742



I think 'well dressed' is the key, a scruffy suit can be just as bad if not worse than Tidy tshirt and jeans #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:50 | medv2



I agree that there are times when a casual approach is fine - in any workplace, but sometimes there is a need for a code #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:50 | MrMalcontent



Q3. What would be a 'sensible' dress code? #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:51 | dmchugh675



The clothes do not make the teacher - the attitude does #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:51 | MrMalcontent



tiaras and high heels! ;0) #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:51 | MrMalcontent



i know of schools that intro 'd dress code to prevent low neckslines and short skirts #fairenough #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:52 | medv2



@MrMalcontent Hoping for 'Tweet of the Week' again ;) #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:52 | dmurray742



Interesting to see school that came into us where girls don't wear ties but boys do as it reflects the adult workplace #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:52 | MrMalcontent



Unfortunate that people need to be told not to wear beach/club/boudoir-wear to work? The only reason I can think of for a code. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:52 | senseilp



"@cillian_walsh: #niedchat male dress code school is trousers, shirt and tie. Not sure if it bothers me that much."

11-Jan-12 20:54 | AnGaeilgeoir1



good dresscode should be implicit amongst teaching professionals and management shud have a quiet word when not #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:54 | medv2



#niedchat @medv2 I was TP supervision earlier. Had to raise the issue of what a student teacher was wearing which was way too short.

11-Jan-12 20:55 | johnmayo



@dmchugh675 Is you being very quiet the 'new thing'? #niedchat #ifitsnotbrokedontfixit

11-Jan-12 20:55 | dmurray742



@dmurray742 I don't think it's predicated on it, I think it can be undermined by it #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:55 | MrMalcontent



#niedchat although what I saw other (qualified) teachers wearing in the staffroom at lunch time, she was not out of place

11-Jan-12 20:55 | johnmayo



@dmurray742 tweetdeck issues! #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:55 | dmchugh675



@dmurray742 #niedchat Unfortunately with some people it's about control.

11-Jan-12 20:55 | AnGaeilgeoir1



RT @dmchugh675: @dmurray742 tweetdeck issues! #Niedchat < not the only one!

11-Jan-12 20:55 | MrMalcontent



@AnGaeilgeoir1 Now you're getting to the crux of the issue. Is an enforced dress code a control system? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:56 | dmurray742



RT @moodleireland What topics do you want to see at the MoodleMoot in Dublin? #mootieuk12 #moodle #edchatie #niedchat #ukedchat

11-Jan-12 20:57 | fboss



"@MrMalcontent: RT @dmchugh675: @dmurray742 tweetdeck issues! #Niedchat < not the only one!" iFon Twitter app doing the same.

11-Jan-12 20:57 | AnGaeilgeoir1



@dmurray742 control by / over whom? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:57 | MrMalcontent



RT @dmurray742: @AnGaeilgeoir1 Now you're getting to the crux of the issue. Is an enforced dress code a control system? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:57 | dmchugh675



@dmurray742 should the dresscode reflect the ethos of the individual sch / organisation? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:57 | medv2



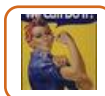
I remember my old English teacher Sean Hollywood (Genius) who fought intro of ties for male teachers by wearing Dickie bows #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:59 | MrMalcontent



@MrMalcontent Whoevers imposing it over whomevers feeling aggrieved by it. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:59 | dmurray742



@johnmayo #niedchat snap! Rocking up to school in a track suit!

11-Jan-12 20:59 | MsRGraham



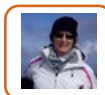
@MsRGraham agreed teach & pupils alike shd have sense of pride in sch & dress 2 reflect ths? not judging how formal - just tidy #niedchat

11-Jan-12 20:59 | medv2



They began well - then they lit up, span around, you name it... #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:00 | MrMalcontent



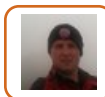
RT @MrMalcontent: @medv2 Important word there - Pride - in your job and in your school #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:01 | medv2



Surely someone has done a thesis on correlation between exam results and school dress codes for teachers??? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:01 | dmurray742



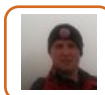
RT @dmurray742: Surely someone has done a thesis on correlation between exam results and school dress codes for teachers??? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:02 | dmchugh675



@dmurray742 LOL #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:02 | MrMalcontent



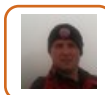
Q4 If dress codes are problematic what other solutions are there to deal with the issues mentioned? #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:02 | dmchugh675



is there any correlation betwn parental respect for teachers and dress code? methinks big changes in recent years #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:03 | medv2



@dmurray742 very few 'facts' on this one. That's a clue to the method tonight ;) #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:03 | dmchugh675



@medv2 #niedchat Respect is earned. What you wear should not enter into it & thinking about it I don't think it does

11-Jan-12 21:04 | johnmayo



Solutions other than a 'draconian' code anyone? #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:04 | dmchugh675



@medv2 I honestly think parents r more interested in whether their child is receiving a gd education that wht Miss/Sir is wearing. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:05 | dmurray742



@MrMalcontent some of our support staff have begun to wear polo shirts with school crest. Very smart and it was their decision. #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:07 | dmchugh675



@dmchugh675 would love to wear a poloshirt #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:07 | johnmayo



@cillian_walsh #niedchat "Son, you are not getting in with those trainers " LOL

11-Jan-12 21:08 | johnmayo



@cillian_walsh "You can't come in with those shoes" lol #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:08 | dmchugh675



@cillian_walsh you could adapt it to calling the register: 'If your name's not on the list - you're not getting in' #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:08 | dmurray742



@dmchugh675 Nice one and I think that it helps build a collective approach #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:08 | MrMalcontent



@dmchugh675 #niedchat so they have chosen to give themselves a sort of uniform?!

11-Jan-12 21:08 | MsRGraham



If no dress code, employers/heads need to be willing to approach individuals who're wearing v inappropriate stuff. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:09 | senseilp



#niedchat It would also mean that some staff member would have to wear a suit, sunglasses and an earpiece

11-Jan-12 21:09 | johnmayo



@MrMalcontent yes..it has to be a collective decision..not enforced from on-high IMO. #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:09 | dmchugh675



@cillian_walsh #niedchat I live in Newcastle, England... Nightclub policy definately not a good idea! Have you seen Geordie Shore?!

11-Jan-12 21:09 | MsRGraham



RT @senseilp: If no dress code, employers/heads need to be willing to approach individuals who're wearing v inappropriate stuff. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:09 | dmchugh675



@cillian_walsh It's just another uniform. What's the difference? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:10 | dmurray742



@cillian_walsh ..and easy ironed! #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:10 | dmchugh675



RT @dmchugh675: @cillian_walsh ..and easy ironed! #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:11 | MrMalcontent



"Nah, luv, I don't think your friends are already in there." #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:14 | senseilp



@medv2 the last dress code didn't work too well! #santahats #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:15 | dmchugh675



@dmchugh675 #niedchat Yes I think that would be more acceptable to staff

11-Jan-12 21:15 | MsRGraham



#Niedchat tiara and heels for dress code?

11-Jan-12 21:15 | Conneist



RT @dmchugh675: @medv2 the last dress code didn't work too well! #santahats #Niedchat > true!!
#bunchofrenegades

11-Jan-12 21:16 | medv2



Last Question. If you were the Head what would you do? Code or no code??? #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:16 | dmchugh675



I wish I'd could be brave enough to say 'to hell with the whole lot of it, for students and staff', but I don't think it wld work. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:17 | dmurray742



I always loved my English teachers, who tended to wear slightly more flamboyant/dramatic stuff. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:17 | senseilp



Code - Def... #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:17 | MrMalcontent



My staff wld B so happy & proud of their sch that thr wud B no need 4 code, I knw ths cos I wld tell them that they R happy #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:18 | medv2



RT @senseilp: I always loved my English teachers, who tended to wear slightly more flamboyant/dramatic stuff. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:18 | dmchugh675



@medv2 I want to come and work in your school! #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:18 | dmurray742



#niedchat surely heads and the SLT should set the standard by what they wear? So hopefully there would be no need for a written dress code

11-Jan-12 21:18 | MsRGraham



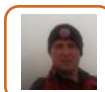
@MsRGraham might be easier for them to wear a suit...no paint, markers, children etc in an office! #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:20 | dmchugh675



...and good evening - been having lots of twitter problems! #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:20 | not_out_97



@MsRGraham or for KS3 and KS4 possibly... #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:21 | dmchugh675



@dmurray742 C2k never to blame for anything - surely you know that by now! ;-) LOL #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:21 | not_out_97



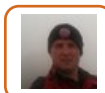
#niedchat poor old c2k

11-Jan-12 21:22 | Conneist



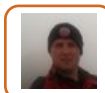
RT @not_out_97: @dmurray742 C2k never to blame for anything - surely you know that by now! ;-) LOL #niedchat <<<< LMAO

11-Jan-12 21:22 | MrMalcontent



I think we've exhausted it folks. Everyone seems to be where they were at the beginning. #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:22 | dmchugh675



Has anyone spotted the methodology tonight? #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:23 | dmchugh675



@dmchugh675 Can I linky?? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:23 | MrMalcontent



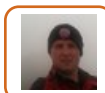
I think we all need 2 watch ths again: <http://t.co/Jmx691MA> wht link is there to learning and wat ppl wear? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:23 | dmurray742



@dmchugh675 provocation (agent provocateur!!!) #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:23 | MrMalcontent



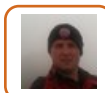
@MrMalcontent no. Try again...there were six questions. #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:24 | dmchugh675



One every 10 mins on the dot. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:25 | dmurray742



@dmurray742 if that's true it was a complete fluke! #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:25 | dmchugh675



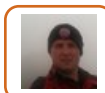
Before you all go... here is a link to the poster that will be hitting your inboxes re. our TeachMeet bit.ly/xykS1L Thoughts? #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:25 | MrMalcontent



Off to iron my pashmina, tracksuit bottoms and clogs for tomorrow. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:26 | dmurray742



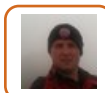
De Bono's thinking hats folks...tut tut <http://t.co/TDbqDgJc> #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:26 | dmchugh675



@dmchugh675 Thanks Damien - well done #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:29 | dmurray742



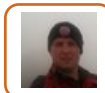
@medv2 sorry Donna..should have given you more time. I though you had gone! #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:29 | dmchugh675



RT @dmurray742: @dmchugh675 Thanks Damien - well done #niedchat <hear, hear

11-Jan-12 21:29 | MrMalcontent



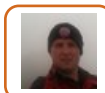
@dmurray742 no tiara then? #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:29 | dmchugh675



@dmchugh675 Only on Baker days. #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:30 | dmurray742



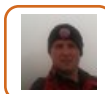
Thanks for the thanks :) See (sic) you all later #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:30 | dmchugh675



OH! TEACHMEET!!!! <http://t.co/scUC571s> #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:31 | dmchugh675



@cillian_walsh no problem...this gig is available for whoever wants it! Don't be shy now :) #Niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:32 | dmchugh675



@dmchugh675 You're going nowhere, me boy! #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:33 | dmurray742



I think there is a need for a teacher twitter meetup, #edchatie #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:40 | johnmayo



Rt @johnmayo I think there is a need for a teacher twitter meetup, #edchatie #niedchat
Definitely! I keep just missing #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:42 | fboss



#irishteachertwittermeetup When? Where? How? #edchatie #niedchat

11-Jan-12 21:43 | johnmayo



CESI? RT @johnmayo: #irishteachertwittermeetup When? Where? How? #edchatie #niedchat

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RT @murcha
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